





HISTORICAL NOTICES
OF
Thomas Fuller
AND HIS DESCENDANTS,
WITH A
GENEALOGY OF THE FULLER FAMILY,
1638-1902.

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PREFACE TO REVISED EDITION.

In reprinting this pamphlet two numbers have been given to each individual born with the name of Fuller. The number in parentheses before the name designates the person, and the smaller number following the Christian name shows the generation.

The births, marriages, and deaths which have taken place among the descendants of (92) Timothy⁵ Fuller since the publication of the first edition have been added, and also some facts relating to other lines.

THOMAS FULLER

AND HIS DESCENDANTS.

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ARMS OF FULLER.*

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formulas, which he had left behind, became less attractive to him than the "forest aisles" of America, where God might be freely worshiped. He has himself left on record a metrical statement of the change in his views which induced him to re-

In 1638 THOMAS FULLER came from England to America upon a tour of observation, intending, after he should have gratified his curiosity by a survey of the wilderness world, to return. While in Massachusetts, he listened to the preaching of Rev. Thomas Shepard, of Cambridge, who was then in the midst of a splendid career of religious effort and eloquence, the echo of which, after the lapse of two centuries, has scarcely died away. Through his influence Thomas Fuller was led to take such an interest in the religion of the Puritan school, that the land of liturgies and religious

* These arms have been in this family for a long time, but the compiler has no other proof that they belong to this branch of the Fuller family. Burke in his General Armory describes the same arms as belonging to a Fuller family on the Isle of Wight.

solve to make his home in Massachusetts. These verses were collected by the Rev. Daniel Fuller of Gloucester from aged persons, who declare that the author was urged, but in vain, to publish them. Now, after the lapse of two centuries, we will favor the world with a few of them, which will serve as a sample :—

“ In thirty-eight I set my foot
On this New England shore ;
My thoughts were then to stay one year,
And here remain no more.

But, by the preaching of God's word
By famous Shepard he,
In what a woful state I was,
I then began to see.

Christ cast his garments over me,
And all my sins did cover :
More precious to my soul was he
Than dearest friend or lover.

His pardoning mercy to my soul
All thought did far surmount ;
The measure of his love to me
Was quite beyond account.

Ascended on his holy hill,
I saw the city clear,
And knew 't was New Jerusalem,
I was to it so near.

I said, My mountain does stand strong,
And doubtless 't will forever ;
But soon God turned his face away,
And joy from me did sever.

Sometimes I am on mountains high,
Sometimes in valleys low : —
The state that man's in here below,
Doth oft-times ebb and flow.

I heard the voice of God by man,
Yet sorrows held me fast;
But these my joys did far exceed;
God heard my cry at last.

Satan has thung his darts at me,
And thought the day to win;
Because he knew he had a friend
That always dwelt within.

But surely God will save my soul!
And, though you trouble have,
My children dear, who fear the Lord,
Your souls at death he'll save.

All tears shall then be wiped away;
And joys beyond compare,
Where Jesus is and angels dwell,
With every saint you'll share."

If these verses do not give evidence of the highest poetical culture and finish, they at least hand down through the centuries the reason which induced Lieut. Thomas Fuller (so we find him styled in the probate proceedings on his will) to purchase and settle upon a large tract of land in New Salem (afterwards Middleton); and this land is still mainly owned and improved by his descendants. He built a house on it near a stream, about half a mile below Middleton Pond, and about the same distance west from Will's Hill. He did not reside continuously at Middleton, but for some years dwelt in Woburn, and was one of the first settlers and most active citizens of that town, as its records manifest. He died in the year 1698, bequeathing his remaining land to his youngest son Jacob, having previously, in his lifetime, conveyed lands to his other children by way of advancement. Jacob Fuller was born in 1655, and continued to reside on the farm in Middleton till his death in 1731. He married Mary Bacon, and they had five children. His fifth child and second son, likewise named Jacob,

was born in 1700, and died October 17, 1767. He married Abigail Holton, and they had ten children — six sons and four daughters.

TIMOTHY FULLER, the sixth child and third son of the second Jacob Fuller, was born at Middleton, on the 18th of May, 1739. He entered Harvard University at the age of nineteen, and graduated in 1760. His name over that date is still (1859) seen on the corner-stone of one of the college buildings. He applied himself to theology, and in March, 1767, received from the church and town of Princeton, Mass., a nearly unanimous invitation to become their pastor, having previously supplied their pulpit for two years. Here he was ordained the first minister of Princeton, 9th September, 1767. In 1770 he married Sarah Williams, daughter of Rev. Abraham Williams of Sandwich, Mass. He was successful as a preacher, and his people were united in him till the war of the revolution broke out. He declared at the time, and ever afterwards, that he was friendly to the principles of the revolution, and anxiously desired that his country should be liberated from its dependence on the British crown; but he was naturally a very cautious man, and believed this result would be certain to come, if the country reserved itself for action till its strength was somewhat matured, and its resources in a better state of preparation. Resistance at the time he believed premature, and thought that we were hazarding all by too precipitate action. Such views, however, were by no means congenial to the heated zeal of his townsmen. He first gave dissatisfaction by a discourse he preached to the "minute men," at the request of the town, choosing for his text 1 Kings xx. 11: "Let not him that girdeth on the harness boast himself as he that putteth it off." He was not a man to swerve from his own cool and deliberate views through the pressure of public opinion; and his persistence in them led to his dismissal from the pastorate in 1776, by an ex parte council, his parish refusing to agree with him upon a mutual council. He removed soon after to Martha's Vineyard, and preached to the society in Chilmark

till the war was ended. He then removed to Middleton, and brought a suit against the town of Princeton for his salary. His dismissal had been irregular, and the law of the case was in his favor; but the jury had too much sympathy with the motives that actuated the town to render a verdict in his behalf. It was supposed this result would be crushing to him, and that he would not be prepared to pay costs recovered by the town; and some were malignant enough to anticipate with pleasure the levy of the execution. But they were disappointed; for, when the sheriff called upon him, he coolly counted out the amount of the execution in specie, which, with his habitual caution, he had carefully hoarded to meet this very exigency. He soon after returned to Princeton, where he applied himself to the careful education of his children, in connection with the cultivation of a large farm, which embraced within its bounds the Wachusett mountain.

None of his children attended any other than this family school; all were carefully taught, and several fitted for college at home. Those in the town who had been opposed to him soon became reconciled and even warmly attached. He was very active in town affairs, and represented Princeton in the convention which approved and adopted the present federal constitution. He himself, with his characteristic firmness, voted against the constitution, mainly on the ground of its recognition of slavery; and he has left his reasons on record. In 1796, he removed to Merrimac, N. H., where he continued to reside till his decease, on the morning of the 3d of July, 1805, at the age of sixty-seven, leaving a wife and ten children to mourn his loss. His wife deserves more than a passing notice, as she must have had no small influence in moulding the character of the children. Her father, Rev. Abraham Williams, was a person of genuine piety, a warm patriot, and an ardent friend of the revolution. His letter accepting his call at Sandwich, which is still carefully preserved, breathes a pure Christian spirit; as also a subsequent communication, in which he

expresses a willingness to dispense with a portion of his salary to accommodate himself to the narrow means of his people. His will is likewise very characteristic. He emancipates his slaves, and requires his children to contribute to their support if they shall be destitute; and "deprives any child who may refuse to give bonds to perform this duty of his share of the estate, giving to such child in lieu thereof a new Bible of the cheapest sort, hoping that, by the blessing of Heaven, it may teach him to do justice and love mercy." He married Anna Buckminster, daughter of Col. Joseph Buckminster, Jr.,* of Framingham, and aunt of the distinguished clergyman, Rev. Joseph Buckminster, D.D., of Portsmouth, N. H., who was father of Rev. Joseph Stevens Buckminster, of Boston. Rev. Mr. Williams graduated from Harvard University in 1744, and died 12th of August, 1784, aged fifty-seven. His daughter Sarah, wife of Rev. Timothy Fuller, possessed a vigorous understanding and an honorable ambition, which she strove to infuse into her children. She died in 1822. Rev. Timothy Fuller left five daughters and five

* The following, taken from the "Boston Transcript," December, 1899, is of interest as it concerns several ancestors.

"Lawson. Sarah Lawson was daughter of John and Sarah (Simpson) Lawson of Boston, and granddaughter of Savil Simpson of Boston, Framingham and Hopkinton. She was born 1702, married to Colonel Joseph Buckminster June 18, 1719, at Hopkinton, Mass., where her grandfather, Savil Simpson, owned 500 acres of land which he had bought from the heirs of Colonel William Crowne, in what was then included in Framingham, but later was set off to Hopkinton, and is now included in the town of Ashland. She was named in her grandfather Savil Simpson's will, who died Aug. 22, 1725; will probated January 3, 1726. Colonel Joseph Buckminster, Jr., was the son of Colonel Joseph and Martha (Sharp) Buckminster; his mother, Martha Sharp, being the daughter of John and Martha (Vose) Sharp of Muddy River (Brookline). Sarah Lawson Buckminster died Sept. 11, 1747, having borne her husband seven children. He married, second, widow Hannah Kiggell, who bore him one son. Colonel Joseph Buckminster, Jr., received his commission in 1738-39, and was prominent in town affairs for nearly forty years. He died May 15, 1780, aged eighty-three."

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sons. The sons were Timothy, Abraham Williams, Henry Holton, William Williams, and Elisha; of these we shall speak more in detail.

TIMOTHY FULLER, the fourth child and eldest son, attained distinction. The chief steps in his career may be thus summarily stated: He was born in Chilmark, Martha's Vineyard, 11th of July, 1778; grad. at Harvard College with the second honors in his class, 1801. He was obliged to work his way through college, and be absent much in teaching; but such were his talent, industry, and scholarship, that it is believed he would have borne off the first honors had he not countenanced a rebellion of the students, caused by certain college rules regarded as oppressive. He was always an ardent advocate for freedom and the rights of man, and even while in college made himself marked as a Democratic Republican, in contradistinction to the Federalists. After graduating, he taught in Leicester Academy, till he had acquired funds to complete his professional study of the law, which he did in the office of Hon. Levi Lincoln, of Worcester, and afterwards practised law in Boston. He was a member of the Mass. Senate from 1813 to 1816; Representative in Congress from 1817 to 1825; Speaker of the Mass. House of Representatives in 1825; a member of the Executive Council in 1828; and died suddenly of Asiatic cholera, at his residence in Groton, Mass., October 1, 1835.

Mr Fuller's published writings are, "An Oration delivered at Watertown, July 4, 1809;" "Address before the Massachusetts Peace Society, 1826;" "The Election for the Presidency considered, by a Citizen;" Speeches on the Seminole War, Missouri Compromise, &c.

Hon. Timothy Fuller married Margaret Crane, daughter of Maj. Peter Crane, of Canton, Mass., May 28, 1809. She died Sunday morning, July 31, 1859. A character like hers, so sweet and amiable, full of sentiment and affectionate benignity, delighting in flowers and every beautiful type of the great Creator, is, indeed, one of the fairest ornaments of

of existence. Her life was one of habitual self-denial and devotion to duty in the various relations of her lot. We know not that she ever made an enemy; and, on the contrary, we believe that she has drawn towards herself the heart of every one with whom she has come in contact. In youth she was possessed of great personal beauty, and was much admired in Washington when her husband was in Congress. She had a rare conversational gift, aided by a lively fancy and a well-stored mind, and above all she was a sincere and devoted Christian.

MARGARET FULLER, the first child of this union, was born May 23, 1810, in the house now (1902) numbered 71, Cherry St., Cambridge. After her father's death she was her mother's chief stay; for, though of very little business experience, and with a natural aversion to financial affairs, she had a strength of mind and courageous firmness which stayed up her mother's hands when the staff on which she had leaned was stricken away. It had been the life-long desire of Margaret to go to Europe and complete her culture there, and arrangements with this view had been matured at her father's death. Her patrimony would have still sufficed for the desired tour; but she must have left her mother sinking under a sense of helplessness, with young children to educate. Margaret, after a struggle between a long-cherished and darling project and her sense of duty, resolved to give up her own brilliant hopes and remain with her mother. She applied herself personally to the academic training of the children, who learned from her the rudiments of the classic languages and the first reading of some of their great authors. We extract from the "Mount Auburn Memorial" the following:

"Her wonderful power of conversation lives in memory alone. It is said that there has been no woman like her in this respect since Madame de Stael; but while Margaret Fuller's conversation, in eloquence and effect, in sparkle and flow, was like that of the gifted French woman, it had a merit which the

latter could not elaim. There is hardly upon record one with her power to draw out others. She not only talked surprisingly herself, but she made others do so. While talking with her they seemed to make discovery of themselves, to wonder at their own thoughts, and to admire the force and aspiration of their character — hitherto latent to their own consciousness. She made those who conversed with her forget to admire her in wondering at themselves. As a friend, Margaret Fuller Ossoli is tenderly and devoutly remembered by those who knew and loved her. What an assemblage they would make if gathered together! The rich and the refined, the poor and the humble, the men and women of genius struggling with destiny, and demanding audience for new and noble thoughts, — all these found in her a confidant to soothe their sorrows, and a friend to encourage and point onward. There was but one thing needed to admit to the friendship of Margaret, and that was a pure purpose and a noble aim. Those who did not possess this instinctively shunned her. She had a penetrating eye to see through, and a power of satire to strip off, masks and pretences. She hated shams, hypocrisies, falsehoods, and outside show. Characters not genuine strove to keep at a safe distance from her; they dreaded the sting of her satire, the eagle look of her eye, and the eloquence of her tongue."

Soon after her tragic death in 1850 her memoirs were written by Ralph Waldo Emerson, Horace Greeley, William Henry Channing, James Freeman Clarke and others, and were published in two volumes, which were later re-edited by her brother Rev. Arthur Buckminster Fuller. Since then her life has been written by Thomas Wentworth Higginson in the "American Men of Letters" series, and by Mrs. Julia Ward Howe in the "Famous Women" series.

On July 19, 1901, the anniversary of her death, by the efforts of several distinguished women of New York a memorial pavilion and tablet were dedicated to her memory on Fire Island, near

the spot where the ship Elizabeth was wrecked and she and her husband and child were drowned. In spite of the efforts of her family and friends her body and that of her husband were never recovered.

On May 23, 1902, her 92d birthday, the house in which she was born in Cherry Street, Cambridge, was dedicated, under the name of "Margaret Fuller House," to the work of a branch of the Young Women's Christian Association.

Of EUGENE FULLER, the second child, the following notice taken from the annual obituary college record, by Joseph Palmer, M.D., published by the "Boston Daily Advertiser," gives some account:—

"Eugene Fuller, the eldest son of Hon. Timothy and Margaret (Craue) Fuller, was born in Cambridge, Mass., May 14, 1815. After leaving college in 1834, he studied law, partly at the Dane Law School in Cambridge, and partly in the office of George Frederick Farley, Esq., of Groton, Mass. After his admission to the bar, he practised his profession two years in Charlestown, Mass. He afterwards went to New Orleans, and was connected with the public press of that city. He spent several summers there, and, some two or three years ago was affected by sun-stroke, which resulted in softening of the brain, and ultimately in a brain fever, which came very near proving fatal, and left him in a shattered condition. His friends hoping that medical treatment at the north might benefit him, he embarked, with an attendant, on board the Empire City for New York. When one day out, June 21, 1859, his attendant being prostrated with seasickness, Mr. Fuller was left alone, and was not afterwards seen. He must have been lost over-board."

The second son of Hon. Timothy Fuller was WILLIAM HENRY FULLER. He applied himself to mercantile pursuits, first in New Orleans, afterwards in Cincinnati; and later resided in Cambridge, Mass. He died December, 1878, and his wife, May 13, 1885.

The third daughter was ELLEN KILSHAW FULLER, born Aug. 7, 1820, who married William E. Channing.

REV. ARTHUR BUCKMINSTER FULLER,* the third son of Hon. Timothy Fuller, was born August 10, 1822. He was early instructed by his father and his sister, Margaret Fuller. At the age of twelve, he spent one year at Leicester Academy; and, subsequently, studied with Mrs. Ripley, the wife of Rev. Samuel Ripley, of Waltham. In August, 1839, he entered Harvard College, at the age of seventeen, and graduated in 1843. During his college course he united with the church connected with the University. Immediately on graduation he purchased Belvidere Academy, in Belvidere, Boone Co., Illinois, which, assisted by a competent corps of instructors, he taught for the two subsequent years. During this time, Mr. Fuller occasionally preached, as a missionary, in Belvidere and destitute places, and also to the established churches, having been interested in theological study during his senior year at college. He was a member of the Illinois Conference of Christian and Unitarian ministers, and by them licensed to preach. His first sermon was preached October, 1843, in Chicago, to the Unitarian church then under the charge of Rev. Joseph Harrington. In 1845 Mr. Fuller returned to New England; entered, one year in advance, the Harvard Divinity School, whence he graduated in August, 1847. After preaching three months at West Newton, to a church of which Hon. Horace Mann was a principal founder and a constant attendant, Mr. Fuller accepted a call to the pastorate of the Unitarian Society in Manchester, N. H., and was subsequently ordained, March 29, 1848. In September, 1852, Mr. Fuller received a call from the New North Church, on Hanover Street, in Boston, one of the most ancient

* Rev. Mr. Fuller has collected most of the ancient records pertaining to the Fuller family. He has also in his possession an ancient chair, which tradition declares to have been brought from England to this country by the first Thomas Fuller, in 1638; and also a chair owned by Rev. Abraham Williams, of Sandwich.

churches in the city, being founded in 1714, and a church built that year on the spot where the present one now stands. This call Rev. Mr. Fuller refused, the relation between himself and the Manchester Society being a most happy one. The call was, however, renewed, and ultimately accepted, and Mr. Fuller was installed in Boston, June 1, 1853. Failing health, and the fact that the Protestant population was rapidly leaving the North End, induced Mr. Fuller to resign his city pastorate, and close his labors there July 31, 1859. He accepted at once, however, a call for a six months' charge of the Unitarian Church in Watertown, Mass., having preferred this temporary settlement to one of longer duration. In November, 1853, Mr. Fuller was chosen by the citizens of Ward 1, in Boston, a member of the School Committee, then a much smaller body than now, consisting of only twenty-four members. In January, 1854, Mr. Fuller was chosen by the Massachusetts House of Representatives chaplain of that body. In 1858 he was elected by the Massachusetts Senate their chaplain, both of which appointments he accepted, and discharged their duties. In 1855 Rev. Mr. Fuller was selected by the citizens of Groton, Mass., to deliver a bi-centennial oration, it being the two hundredth anniversary of the settlement of that ancient town. This oration was delivered October 31, 1855. In 1857 Mr. Fuller was nominated, by the republicans of Suffolk District No. 2, for the Massachusetts Senate, but, with the other candidates of his party in that district, failed of an election. In 1858 Mr. Fuller was chosen by the State Temperance Convention a member of the Executive Committee, and in the same year was elected a director of the Washingtonian Home, better known as the Home for the Fallen. Mr. Fuller's published writings are, "A Discourse in Vindication of Unitarianism from popular Charges against it," Manchester, 1848; "Sabbath School Manual of Christian Doctrines and Institutions," Boston, 1850; "A Discourse occasioned by the Death of Hon. Richard Hazen Ayer, delivered in the Unitarian Church, February 18, 1853;"

“An Historical Discourse, delivered in the New North Church, October 1, 1854;” “A Discourse occasioned by the Death of Miss Mercy Tufts, delivered in the Unitarian Church in Quincy, Mass., January 24, 1858;” “Liberty versus Romanism, or Romanism hostile to Civil and Religious Liberty,—being two Discourses delivered in the New North Church, Boston, 1859.” Mr. Fuller has also edited four volumes of his sister Margaret’s works, and has prepared for the press a complete and uniform edition of her works and memoirs.* August 1, 1861, he received a commission as chaplain in the 16th regiment of Massachusetts Volunteers and immediately went to the front. After doing good service as a minister of religion and a friend to the living and dying, both in hospitals and on the field of battle, he volunteered as a soldier in the skirmishes which preceded the Battle of Fredericksburg, and was killed December 11, 1862. An account of his life was written by his brother Richard F. Fuller under the title “Chaplain Fuller,” also by Thomas Wentworth Higginson in “Harvard Memorial Biographies.” He was correspondent during his army service of the Boston Traveler, Boston Journal, Christian Inquirer and N. Y. Tribune.

RICHARD FREDERICK FULLER was the fourth son. He graduated at Harvard University, 1844, studied law in Greenfield, Mass., afterwards a year at the Harvard Law School, and, having completed his studies in the office of his uncle, Henry H. Fuller, Esq., in Boston, was admitted to the bar on examination in open court, December, 1846, at the age of twenty-two. He became, and continued for two years to be, the law partner of his uncle, and subsequently practised law with success in Boston. Having been fitted for college, at the age of sixteen he entered a store in Boston, at the solicitation of his family; but mercantile life proving distasteful to him, he relinquished it

* These volumes are *Woman in the Nineteenth Century*. *At Home and Abroad*. *Art, Literature, and the Drama*, and *Life Without and Life Within*.

at the end of one year. By severe application, he in six months made up for this lost year, at the same time keeping pace with the studies of the Sophomore class, and was admitted to college in the middle of the Sophomore year. He graduated the second or third scholar of his class. He died at his country home in Wayland, May 30, 1869. He had a taste for literature, was deeply religious, and an ardent lover of nature. One of his greatest pleasures was to walk in the early morning through woods and fields accompanied by his children.

This ends our account of the children of Hon. Timothy Fuller. His brothers likewise attained distinction, and deserve now to be mentioned.

ABRAHAM WILLIAMS FULLER, the second son of Rev. Timothy Fuller, applied himself, on reaching manhood, to mercantile life. His strict application to business, his sagacity and integrity, speedily won the confidence of his employer, who, retiring from business about the time Abraham became of age, lent him an adequate capital, and set him up as his successor. The embargo, occurring at this time, caused a great rise in prices, and Abraham very soon acquired a large fortune. He at once relinquished mercantile business, studied the law, and had an office in Boston till he died, April 6, 1847, unmarried, leaving a large property. A granite obelisk has been erected to his memory, near the tower, in Mount Auburn.

The third son was HENRY HOLTON FULLER, who graduated at Harvard College, 1811, the second scholar in his class, Edward Everett being the first, and was admitted to the Suffolk bar September 19, 1815. He went into partnership with his brother Timothy, and attained great distinction at the bar. He was a thorough and careful lawyer, a sound logician, and had a sparkling flow of wit and humor, which made him a great favorite with juries. When he could not answer arguments, he could almost always throw a grotesque coloring over them, and bring them into ridicule, possessing a vein of cutting satire. He had a great run of business in court almost immedi-

ately ; and at thirty years of age it was said that he had argued more cases than any lawyer of his age in Massachusetts. It was remarked that he never was counsel in a case where the jury did not wish to give him the verdict, if they could find a fair way to do so. In conversation he was genial and sprightly, affable and pleasant to all about him, and a universal favorite with his juniors. He was several years a representative from Boston in the Massachusetts legislature, and very efficient in its debates and the transaction of the public business. At his death, September 15, 1852, the bench and bar joined in a public tribute of eulogy to his memory. A granite obelisk in Mount Auburn, near the tower, beside the monument of Abraham W. Fuller, is erected to his memory.

WILLIAM WILLIAMS FULLER likewise graduated at Harvard College, in 1813, and studied law. He practised several years in Hallowell, Me., afterwards in Lowell, Mass., and ultimately in Oregon, Ill. His mind was cool and deliberate, his judgment sound and reliable, and he obtained a very favorable reputation in his profession. He died at Oregon, Ill., 1849, leaving an infant child, who survived but a few months.

ELISHA FULLER, the youngest son, grad. at Harvard College, 1815, and studied law. He practised at Lowell and afterwards at Worcester, Mass. He had a keenness of perception, a ready wit, and a sound knowledge of law, which won for him much success in practice. He was a person of remarkably buoyant temperament, and so cheerful and social a companion, that his advent was sure to banish gloom and low spirits, as sunshine dissipates the darkness. In person he closely resembled Henry, whose vivacity of discourse he also shared. Both were of rather small stature, with lively black eyes, and great sprightliness of manner. Elisha died the last of the five lawyers, 1855. Seldom in one generation has a family numbered so many successful professional men as were the five brothers we have described.

GENEALOGY OF THE FULLER FAMILY.

1. Lieutenant THOMAS FULLER, the first ancestor of this family, married June 13, 1643, Elizabeth Tidd, probably daughter of John Tidd of Woburn. Subsequent to her death he married, August 25, 1684, Sarah Wyman, whose maiden name was Nutt. She died May 24, 1688, and he married a third wife Hannah —. He died in 1698. In his will, dated June 9, 1698, and probated July 4, following, he makes bequests to his daughters, Elizabeth Dean, Ruth Wilkins, and Deborah Shaw; grandson, David Richardson; grand-daughters, Ruth Wheeler and Bethiah Fuller; and sons, Thomas, Benjamin, and Jacob.

His ch. were:—(2) Thomas², b. April 30, 1644; m. first Ruth Richardson, third daughter of Thomas and Mary Richardson of Charlestown and Woburn, who was born April 14, 1647; 2d Miss Durgy; (3) Elizabeth², b. Sept. 12, 1645; m. 1662, Joseph Dean of Concord;—(4) Ruth², b. May 17, 1645; m. 1st, Mr. Wheeler, by whom she had 1 ch. Ruth (who married Mr. Foye); m. 2d, Mr. Wilkins;—(5) Deborah², b. May 12, 1650; m. 1st, Isaac Richardson; 2d, Mr. Shaw;—(6) John², b. March 1, 1653; m. Miss Putnam; left no sons, but two daughters;—(7) Jacob², b. May 14, 1655; m. Mary Bacon; d. 1731;—(8) Joseph², b. Aug. 8, 1658; d. young and unm.;—(9) Benjamin², b. April 15, 1660; m. Sarah Bacon;—(10) Samuel², b. May 9, 1662, d. young and unm.

2. Thomas Fuller left 6 sons:—(11) Thomas³, m. Miss Buxton;—(12) Jonathan³, m. Miss Trask;—(13) John³, m. Miss Symonds;—(14) Joseph³, m. 1st, Miss Buxton; 2d, Miss Damon;—(15) William³, m. 1st, Miss Goodale; 2d, Miss Hill;—(16) Stephen³, m. Miss Moulton, but we have no account of his family.

3. Elizabeth² Fuller m. Joseph Dean, who was b. about 1638, having d. March, 1718, aged 80. Their ch. were:—Thomas, b. Sept. 15, 1664; m. 1st, Sarah Blanchard; 2d,

Susannah —; Joseph, b. April 5, 1667; Daniel, b. April 29, 1669; Elizabeth, m. Mr. Walker; Sarah, b. Aug. 4, 1675; Deborah, b. Sept. 29, 1678; Hannah, b. Nov. 13, 1682; Benjamin.

5. Deborah² Fuller, who m. Isaac Richardson, had 5 ch.:—David, m. and had 3 ch. named Solomon, Hannah, and Bethiah; Benjamin; Jonathan; Edward; Mary, m. Mr. King.

Mr. Shaw, the 2d husband of (5) Deborah² Fuller had by her 2 ch.:—Daniel; Ebenezer.

7. Jacob² Fuller had ch.:—(17) Mary³, m. Mr. Whipple and left 3 ch.:—James, Jacob, and Mary;—(18) Elizabeth³, m. Mr. Fisk and left 9 ch.:—Sarah, Elizabeth, Lucy, Mercy, Jonathan, Ebenezer, Jacob, William, Mary;—(19) Edward³, m. Miss Quarles, and left 7 ch.;—(20) Sarah³, m. Mr. Fisk, by whom she had 8 ch.:—Daniel, Benjamin, Samuel, William, Josiah, Sarah, Martin, Hannah;—(21) Jacob³, b. 1700, m. Abigail Holton*, d. Oct. 17, 1767.

9. Benjamin² Fuller, who m. Sarah Bacon, left 6 ch.:—(22) Samuel³, m. Miss Littlefield;—(23) Benjamin³, m. (31) Mary⁴ Fuller;—(24) Sarah³, m. 1st, Mr. Felch, and had 2 ch., Deborah, and Daniel;—(25) Ruth³, m. Mr. Smith, and had 10 ch., James, Walter, Jonathan, Sarah, Ruth, Mary, Elizabeth, Amos, Benjamin, and Abigail;—(26) Abigail³, m. Mr. Hayward, no account of her children;—(27) Hannah³, m. 1st, Mr. Swinton, and had 1 ch., Elizabeth; m. 2d, Mr. Fowle, and had 2 ch., John, and Ebenezer.

11. Thomas² Fuller, who m. Miss Buxton, had by her 7 ch.:—(28) John⁴, d. in infancy;—(29) Joseph⁴;—(30) Timothy⁴; (31) Mary⁴, m. (23) Benjamin³ Fuller;—(32) Ruth⁴;—(33) Betty⁴;—(34) Lydia⁴.

12. Jonathan³ Fuller, who m. Miss Trask, had 6 ch.:—

* It is said that she was the only sister of Hon. Samuel Holton of Danvers. This may be so, though her first ch. was born 9 years before Judge Holton. See a biographical notice of the latter in Hanson's History of Danvers, pp. 188-194.

(35) Jonathan[†];—(36) Sarah[†];—(37) Eunice[†];—(38) Susanna[†];—(39) Anna[†];—(40) Ruth[†].

13. John³ Fuller, who m. Miss Symonds, had 7 ch.:—(41) John[†];—(42) Andrew[†];—(43) Ruth[†];—(44) David[†];—(45) Phoebe[†];—(46) Jerusha[†];—(47) Elizabeth[†].

14. Joseph³ Fuller had 6 ch.:—(48) Ephraim[†];—(49) Amos[†];—(50) Joseph[†];—(51) Thomas[†];—(52) Rachel[†];—(53) Ruth[†].

15. William³ Fuller had 4 ch.:—(54) William[†];—(55) Nathan[†];—(56) Ruth[†];—(57) Jeremy[†].

19. Edward³ Fuller, who m. Miss Quarles, left 7 ch.:—(58) Josiah[†];—(59) Edward[†];—(60) Ephraim[†];—(61) Israel[†];—(62) Mary[†];—(63) Sarah[†];—(64) Benjamin[†].

21. Jacob³ Fuller, by wife Abigail, had 10 ch., b. at Middleton, Mass.:—(65) Elisha[†], b. Apr. 3, 1729, m. Elizabeth Putnam of Sutton, and had 1 son, (66) Israel³, who d. before him, about Sept. 2, 1776, of the small-pox, at Bennington, Vt., while in the American army, as secretary to (84) Col. Archelaus Fuller, brother of (85) Rev. Daniel Fuller of Gloucester;—(67) Ezra[†], b. Nov. 8, 1731, d. 1765, unmarried;—(68) Abigail[†], b. Apr. 22, 1734, m. Dr. Bradstreet and had 1 ch., Ezra;—(69) Elizabeth[†], b. Apr. 22, 1734, m. Ebenezer Kimball, and left 7 ch.:—Jacob, Betsey, Sally, Mehitabel, Abraham, Holton, Abigail;—(70) Sarah[†], b. June 30, 1737, was 2d wife of Samuel Devereaux of Marblehead;—(71) Rev. Timothy[†], b. May 18, 1739, m. Oct. 31, 1771, Sarah, daughter of Rev. Abraham Williams of Sandwich; he d. July, 1805; she d. March, 1822;—(72) Mehitabel[†], b. Dec. 1, 1742, m. William Foster of Andover, Mass., by whom she had 5 ch.:—William, m. Phoebe Holt; Israel, d. a minor, unm.; Jacob, d. a minor, unm.; Sally, married; John, married;—(73) Holton[†], b. June 4, 1745, d. unm., Nov. 27, 1767;—(74) Jacob[†], b. Jan. 3, 1748, m., 1st Margaret Devereaux, had 2 ch. who died young; m. 2d, Jerusha Upton, no ch.;—(75) David[†], b. July 14, 1751, d. Nov. 6, 1821; m. Abigail Kimball, and left 1 ch. (76) Abigail³, who m. Richard Osborn of Salem.

22. Samuel³ Fuller, who m. Miss Littlefield, had 7 ch. :—(77) Samuel⁴ ;—(78) James⁴ ;—(79) Benjamin⁴ ;—(80) Miriam⁴ ;—(81) Mary⁴ ;—(82) Abigail⁴ ;—(83) Joshua⁴.

23. Benjamin³ Fuller, who m. (31) Mary⁴ Fuller, left 5 ch. :—(84) Col. Archelaus⁴, who m. 1st, Hannah Richardson, Aug. 10, 1752, m., 2d, Betsey (Dale) Putnam ; he died at Bennington, Vt., of small-pox, about 1777 (See No. 66) ;—(85) Rev. Daniel⁴, b. Sept. 1, 1740, grad. Harvard College, 1764 ; ordained at Gloucester, Mass., as colleague pastor with Rev. Richard Jaques, Jan. 10, 1770 ; resigned 1821 ; d. May 23, 1829 ; m. Hannah Bowers of Middleton, Conn. ;—(86) Andrew⁴, grad. Harvard College, 1765, resided at Peterborough, N. H. ;—(87) Elisha⁴ ;—(88) Sarah⁴.

71. Rev. Timothy⁴ Fuller, by wife Sarah, dau. of Rev. Abraham Williams, had ch. :—(89) Sarah⁵, d. unm. 1849, at Boston ;—(90) Nancy Buckminster⁵, m. Henry Titcomb, Esq., of Farmington, Me., d. Jan., 1859 ;—(91) Elizabeth⁵, d. unm. at Augusta, Me., in 1856 ;—(92) Timothy⁵, b. in Chilmark, Martha's Vineyard, July 11, 1778 ; m., 1809, Margaret Crane ; d. at Groton, Oct. 1, 1835 ;—(93) Anna⁵, d. in childhood ;—(94) Deborah Allen⁵, who m. Clifford Belcher of Farmington, Me., and still (1859) lives a widow, surviving all her brothers and sisters ;—(95) Abraham Williams⁵, d. unm. 1847 ;—(96) Martha Williams⁵, m. Simeon C. Whittier, of Hallowell, Me., d. 1852, leaving several children ;—(97) Henry Holton⁵, b. at Princeton, Mass., July 1, 1790 ; grad. Harvard College, 1811 ; m. Mary Buckminster Stone of Framingham, d. Sept. 15, 1852, leaving one daughter, (98) Mary⁶, who m. David Cunningham of Boston and went to Texas to live. She had several children ;—(99) William Williams⁵, grad. Harvard College, 1813, d. at Oregon, Ill., 1849 ;—(100) Elisha⁵, b. at Princeton, Mass., Oct. 28, 1794, grad. Harvard College, 1815, m. Susan Adams, d. at Worcester, 1855, leaving one son, (101) Dr. Henry Holton⁶ Fuller of Charlestown, Mass., who m. Mary Washburn, of Lancaster, Mass., and died leaving one son, (102) Henry Holton⁷ Fuller, a



lawyer, who m. June 7, 1900, at Brookline, Mass., Mary Colman, dau. of George Ropes Harris; a son, (103) Henry Holton^s Fuller, was born in 1901. The two daughters of Elisha^s Fuller were (104) Susie Adams⁶, who m. Dr. Russell L. Hawes of Worcester, Mass., and had 3 ch.:—Fanny Russell, who m. George Kettell of Charlestown, Mass., and had ch., Margaret Willard, and Russell Hawes;—Mary Forbush;—John Wheelock; and (105) Mary⁶, who m. Moses D. Colby.

84. Col. Archelaus¹ Fuller, by 1st wife Hannah, had ch.:—(106) Elijah⁵, d. unm.;—(107) Sarah⁵, d. young;—(108) Hannah⁵, m. Joseph Hutchinson, and had 4 sons, Elijah, Joseph, Archelaus, Levi. By his 2d wife, Betsey, he had:—(109) Betty⁵, m. Nehemiah Putnam, and had one dau., Betty;—(110) Sarah⁵, m. Eleazer Putnam, and had 2 ch., Sarah and Israel;—(111) Mary⁵;—(112) Benjamin⁵, lived in Fayette, Me.;—(113) Daniel⁵.

85. Rev. Daniel¹ Fuller of Gloucester, by wife Hannah, had ch.:—(114) Hannah Peters⁵, b. Oct. 6, 1771;—(115) Daniel⁵, b. Aug. 27, 1773; resides at Bridgton, Me.;—(116) Benjamin⁵, b. Feb. 27, 1776; begun business in Boston in 1798; m., 1st, Maria Beal;—(117) Elijah⁵, b. April 1, 1778;—(118) Archelaus⁵, b. Sept. 11, 1780;—(119) Samuel Newell⁵, b. Oct. 22, 1782;—(120) Mary⁵, b. Feb. 18, 1785;—(121) Sarah⁵, b. Jan. 27, 1787.

92. Hon. Timothy⁵ Fuller, by wife Margaret, had ch.:—(122) Sarah Margaret⁶, b. at Cambridge, Mass., May 23, 1810; m. Giovanni, Marchese Ossoli, and had one ch., Angelo Philip, b. at Rieti, Italy, Sept. 5, 1848; parents and child d. July 19, 1850;—(123) Julia Adelaide⁶, d. in childhood;—(124) Eugene⁶, b. at Cambridge, May 14, 1815, grad. Harvard College, 1834; m. Mrs. Anna Eliza Rotta, a widow lady of New Orleans; drowned, June 21, 1859;—(125) William Henry⁶, m. Feb. 28, 1840, Frances Elizabeth Hastings, whose mother was a Hammond, a niece of Mrs. Craigie of Craigie House, Cambridge; resided at Cambridge and in New York, where he d. Dec., 1878;—(126) Ellen Kilshaw⁶, m. Sept. 23, 1841, William Ellery



Page 22, in 5th line, for George Kettell, read Charles Willard Kettell.

In 7th line, for (105) Mary⁶, read (105) Sarah Williams. At end of same paragraph insert: (100) Elisha had also a son Elisha, who died young.

Channing, son of Dr. Walter Channing of Boston; d. Sept. 22, 1856;—(127) Rev. Arthur Buckminster⁶, b. Aug. 10, 1822, grad. Harvard College, 1843; m., 1st, Sept. 18, 1850, Elizabeth Godfrey Davenport, of Mendon, Mass., who d. March 4, 1856; m., 2d, Emma Lucilla Reeves, of Wayland, Mass., Sept. 28, 1859;—(128) Richard Frederick⁶, grad. Harvard College, 1844; m., 1st, Sarah Kollock Batchelder, Feb. 6, 1849, who d. Jan. 10, 1856; m., 2d, Adeline Rutter Reeves, March 31, 1857;—(129) James Lloyd⁶, d. unm., July 7, 1891;—(130) Edward Breck⁶, d. in childhood.

124. Eugene⁶ Fuller left 5 ch.:—(131) Julia Margaret⁷, b. May 31, 1849; m. Sept., 1876, William James Lloyd of Pottsville, Pa., grad. Harvard College and Harvard Divinity School;—(132) Eugene Ossoli⁷, b. Oct. 30, 1851, d. unm., 1878;—(133) William Channing⁷, b. March 11, 1853, married;—(134) Clara⁷, b. Feb. 27, 1854, d. unm., 1874;—(135) Ellen Kilshaw⁷, b. 1856.

125. William Henry⁶ Fuller, by wife Frances Elizabeth, had ch.:—(136) Cornelia⁷, b. in Boston, Oct. 23, 1841; m. Henry Devens of Charlestown, Mass., died in Switzerland, Aug., 1901; had 4 ch.:—Winifred, d. young;—Cornelia;—Frances;—Henry, d. unm.;—(137) Margaret Ellen⁷, b. July 20, 1843, m., Dec., 1865, William Frothingham of Boston; d. Dec. 9, 1873; had ch.:—Samuel, and a dau. who d. in infancy;—(138) William Henry⁷, b. Dec. 12, 1844, d. Aug. 6, 1845;—(139) Frances Elizabeth Hastings⁷, m. Oct. 1, 1867, George Winthrop Folsom of New York City;—(140) William Henry⁷, b. Feb. 12, 1848, d. unm., at Omaha, Dec., 1870;—(141) Emily Roelker⁷, b. June 30, 1849; m. April, 1871, Augustus A. Hayes of New York City; had 1 ch.:—Florence Rowan, b. 1872;—(142) Julian Ossoli⁷, b. Dec. 27, 1851, d. unm., Dec. 1893;—(143) Florence⁷, m. April 2, 1888, Joseph Swift Whistler, of Baltimore, Md.

126. Ellen Kilshaw⁶ Fuller, who m. William Ellery Channing, had ch.:—Margaret Fuller, m. at Dorchester, Mass.,

Sept. 5, 1870, Thacher Loring of Brookline. Their ch.:—

1. Lindsley, b. June 15, 1871, m. Charlotte Cochrane, and had ch.:—William Ellery, b. July 26, 1896; Charlotte, b. Sept. 6, 1897.
2. Alice, m. Dr. William Edwards of Boston, and had ch.:—Joseph Oliver, b. March 26, 1898.
3. Margaret Channing.

Caroline Sturgis, m. Sept. 20, 1865, Follen Cabot, son of Frederick and Marianne Cabot of Brookline. Their ch.:—

1. Chilton, b. Oct. 11, 1866, m. at Concord, Nov. 23, 1891, Louise Partridge Richardson, daughter of Samuel W. and Florence Richardson of Concord, and had ch.:—Chilton Richardson, b. at Waltham, Dec. 12, 1895; Louise, b. at Waltham, June 13, 1897; Harold, b. at Waltham, Nov. 28, 1899.
2. Walter Channing, b. Nov. 15, 1867, m., June, 1900, Elinore, daughter of Charles Follen Blake of Portsmouth, N. H.
3. Follen, b. April 14, 1869; m. Oct., 1896, Edith Tufton, daughter of Charles Follen Blake of Portsmouth, N. H.; had ch.:—Eleanor, b. in N. Y., Feb. 10, 1898.
4. Harold, b. April 22, 1870; d. April 11, 1885.
5. John Higginson, b. April 10, 1877; grad. Harvard College, 1901.

Walter, b. April 14, 1849, m. at Jamaica Plain, June 25, 1878, Anna Kast Morse, and had ch.:—Walter, b. April 28, 1879;—Henry Morse, b. Aug. 17, 1880;—Barbara;—Hayden, b. March 6, 1886;—Rosalie.

Giovanni Eugene, b. June 23, 1853; m. in Washington, D. C., 1880, Florence McClellan. In 1902 was living in San Francisco, Cal.; had ch.:—George Thacher, b. 1881;—John, b. 1887.

Edward, b. June 15, 1856; m. July 22, 1886, Alice Thacher, daughter of Peter and Margaret (Potter) Thacher, of Newton. In 1902 was living in Cambridge. Children:—Alice;—Elizabeth Torrey.

127. Rev. Arthur Buckminster⁶ Fuller, by wife Elizabeth Godfrey (Davenport) had 2 ch.:—(144) Edith Davenport⁷;—(145) Arthur Ossoli⁷; by wife Emma Lucilla (Reeves), 2 ch.:—(146) Richard Buckminster⁷;—(147) Alfred Buckminster⁷.

128. Richard Frederick⁶ Fuller, by wife Sarah Kollock (Batchelder) had ch.:—(148) Frederick Timothy⁷;—(149) Sarah Margaret⁷, d. young;—(150) Arthur Angelo⁷, d. young;

—(151) Grace⁷. By wife Adeline R. (Reeves) he had ch.:—
(152) Eugene⁷; — (153) Waldo⁷; — (154) Ernest⁷; — (155)
Margaret⁷; — (156) Gertrude⁷.

137. Margaret Ellen⁷ Fuller, who m. William Frothingham, had 1 son, Samuel Frothingham, b. Aug. 3, 1868, m. April, 1896, Eleanor Meyer, daughter of George Meyer, and sister of Hon. George von L. Meyer of Boston, and had ch.:— Samuel, b. June, 1897;—Donald McCloud, b. April 7, 1900; —Helen.

139. Frances Elizabeth Hastings⁷ Fuller, m. George W. Folsom and had ch.:—Helen Stuyvesant, m. Rev. Churchill Satterlee, Nov. 1, 1898, had child:—Henry Yates Satterlee, b. April 8, 1900, at Morganton, N. C.;—George Winthrop, b. Sept. 21, 1869, d. April 7, 1875;—William Fuller, b. June 3, 1871, d. April 19, 1875;—Etheldred;—George, b. April 15, 1875, d. May 15, 1876;—Margaret Winthrop, m. May 19, 1900, Lieut. Sidney Haight, U. S. A., had 1 ch.:—Sidney Coolidge Haight, b. Feb. 23, 1901, at Lenox, Mass.;—Maud Christine;—Winifred; —Georgette;—Frances Constance.

141. Emily Roelker⁷ Fuller, who married A. A. Hayes, had a daughter, Florence Rowan Hayes, m. in 1893, Alwyn A. Alvord of San Francisco, Cal.

144. Edith Davenport⁷ Fuller is now (1902), librarian of the Episcopal Theological School, in Cambridge, Mass.

145. Arthur Ossoli⁷ Fuller, b. Feb. 15, 1856. Graduated from Harvard College, 1877. Practised law in Exeter, N. H., where he is living in 1902. Nov. 19, 1884, he m. in Cambridge, Ellen Minot, daughter of George Minot and Elizabeth (Dawes) Minot. His ch. are:—(157) Margaret Crane⁸, b. Sept. 29, 1885;—(158) Constance⁸, b. Dec. 14, 1886;—(159) Elizabeth Minot⁸, b. May 2, 1888;—(160) Arthur Davenport⁸, b. Sept. 1, 1889;—(161) George Minot⁸, b. Aug. 24, 1891;—(162) Faith Greenleaf⁸, b. Dec. 3, 1892;—(163) Kenneth Eliot⁸, b. March 9, 1894.

146. Richard Buckminster⁷ Fuller, b. Feb. 13, 1861; was

a member of class of 1883, Harvard College, and in 1902 lives in Milton, Mass. He m. at Chicago, April 30, 1891, Caroline Wolcott Andrews, daughter of Martin and Caroline (Wolcott) Andrews. His children are :—(164) Caroline Leslie^s, b. Aug. 13, 1892 ;—(165) Richard Buckminster^s, b. July 12, 1895 ;—(166) Wolcott^s, b. Nov. 12, 1898.

147. Alfred Buckminster^r Fuller, b. Feb. 12, 1863 ; m. at St. Albans, Vt., Oct. 7, 1897, Pauline (Hockaday) Lane, widow of Albert Lane, of Parkersburg, West Va., and daughter of Isaac O Hockaday and Sarah G. (Gleim) Hockaday of Fulton, Mo. He now lives in Melrose, Mass.

148. Frederick Timothy^r Fuller, b. in Salem, Sept. 11, 1850, grad. Harvard College, 1870 ; m. in Wayland, Nov. 2, 1871, Ella Jane Sherman ; children, (167) Mabel Warren^s, b. Aug. 5, 1872 ;—(168) Clara Margaret^s, b. May 8, 1877 ;—(169) Lucy^s, b. April 2, 1879, m. June 2, 1902, Philip Cabot, son of J. Elliot Cabot of Brookline, Mass ;—(170) Edwin Sherman^s, b. May 27, 1885 ;—(171) Richard Frederick^s, b. March 22, 1887 ;—(172) Willard Perrin^s, b. May 27, 1888.

151. Grace^r, m. at Cambridge, Nov. 25, 1874, Benjamin Marvin Fernald of Exeter, N. H., now living in Melrose. Children :—Ethel, b. Sept. 12, 1877 ;—Paul Fuller, b. Feb. 9, d. April 22, 1895 ;—Margaret, b. May 5, 1896.

152. Eugene^r, b. May 8, 1858, grad. Harvard College, 1880, and from Harvard Medical School. Is now practising medicine in New York City. He m. in Victoria, B. C., May 23, 1890, Margaret Elizabeth MacTavish, daughter of Duncan Archibald and Margaret Eliza (Wotherspoon) MacTavish. Children :—(173) Dorothy Margaret^s, b. Oct. 13, 1891, d. May 11, 1892 ;—(174) Duncan MacTavish^s, b. Aug. 13, 1893 ;—(175) Eugenia May^s, b. May 13, 1895 ;—(176) Richard Eugene^s, b. June 1, 1897.

153. Waldo^r Fuller, b. May 30, 1861, grad. Harvard College, 1883. He lived for a time in Telluride, Colorado, and is now in New York City.

154. Ernest^r Fuller, b. July 13, 1863. In 1902 is at Cripple Creek, Colorado.

155. Margaret^r Fuller, m. at Cambridge, March 30, 1892, Philip Marquand, son of John Phillips and Margaret (Curzon) Marquand of New York City, formerly of Newburyport, Mass. Child:—John Phillips, b. Nov. 10, 1893.

156. Gertrude^r Fuller, m. at Cambridge, Sept. 25, 1895, Arthur Boylston Nichols, son of Frederick Spelman and Elizabeth (Humphrey) Nichols of Boston. Children:—Arthur Boylston, b. June 27, 1896, d. Oct. 8, 1896;—Elizabeth Humphrey, b. Dec. 13, 1897;—Arthur Boylston, b. April 26, 1900; a son, b. July 7, 1902.

BUCKMINSTER FAMILY OF FRAMINGHAM.

The Buckminsters of Framingham were prominent for a long time in the history of that region before it was incorporated as a town and afterwards. They held civil and military positions of many kinds. Thomas Buckmaster, as the name was at first written, probably came from Wales, and is named in the Colonial Records, April 30, 1640, when he received a grant from the Gen. Court. He was made a freeman, 1646. His will is recorded in Suffolk Probate, dated Sept. 2, 1656. He lived in Muddy River (Brookline).

The direct line of descent as regards the Fuller family runs thus:—(1) Thomas Buckmaster had son (2) Joseph, already called Buckminster in deed dated July 23, 1660.

2. Joseph married Elizabeth, dau. of Hugh Clarke. Their children were (3) Joseph, b. July 31, 1666; Elizabeth.

3. Col. Joseph, son of (2) Joseph, married Martha Sharp, dau. of John Sharp of Muddy River (Brookline), May 12, 1686. His children were eight in number, among them was (4) Joseph, b. 1697. (3) Col. Joseph Buckminster was proprietor of lands in Framingham, 1693. The date of his removal to Framingham

is unknown. He was selectman in 1700, and for seventeen years in all; was representative twelve years; in the commission of the peace many years. His estate was large, and the title to it involved him in lawsuits protracted after his death. He held several military commissions, commanded a company of grenadiers in Sir Charles Hobby's regiment in the expedition to Port Royal, and subsequently had command of a regiment of the Colonial militia. He was tall and athletic, of great physical power, and of a resolute spirit. He died April 5, 1747. He m. 2d, Martha Dale of Boston. He held slaves, for an account of which see Barry and Temple. Numerous deeds from him are in the Suffolk and Middlesex registries.

4. Col. Joseph Buckminster, Jr., was the father of Anna, or Anne, b. Dec. 3, 1728, who m. Rev. Abraham Williams of Marlborough and Sandwich. After passing through subordinate ranks he received his commission as colonel. He was for twenty-eight years selectman, thirty-two years town clerk, representative nineteen (perhaps twenty-eight) years. After a long life of personal worth and public service he died May 15, 1780. One of his sons, William, commanded the company of Minute-men of Barre, Mass., at Bunker Hill. Became colonel; d. 1786. (Biog. sketch, Worcester Magazine, I. 79.)

Sources: Barry, William: History of Framingham and Temple Post, 1847; and Temple, Josiah H.: History of Framingham, 1887.

WILLIAMS FAMILY.

1. Abraham Williams became a proprietor of Marlborough in 1663. He had already been admitted freeman in 1652. He married Joanna Ward, dau. of William and Elizabeth Ward, and settled in Marlborough, near the pond, at the place long known as "Williams Tavern" (still standing, 1902). He represented the town in the General Court, and died Dec. 29, 1712. His widow died Dec. 8, 1718, aged 90. The record of his family is very defective, but his will or deed of gift supplies some of the

defects in the records. It is dated Dec. 28, 1712. This first Abraham Williams is probably the Lieutenant Williams whose commission, signed by Sir Edward Andros and dated Feb. 12, 1686-87, but unfortunately omitting Christian name, is in the possession of the editor of this revised edition of the Fuller genealogy. Abraham Williams had children:—Elizabeth; (2) William; John; Lydia.

2. William Williams d. Aug. 30, 1702; he may have been the owner of the above mentioned commission. He had children:—Thomas, d. in infancy; (3) Abraham, b. April 15, 1695.

3. Col. Abraham Williams m. Jan. 5, 1715, Prudence Howe, dau. of Thomas and Sarah. She d. Jan. 16, 1725, and he m. 2d, Dec. 22, 1725, Elizabeth Breck, dau. of Rev. Robert Breck. She d. Jan. 13, 1729, and he m. Elizabeth —, who d. 1775. He was a prominent citizen, filled many town offices, and was justice of the peace. In 1757 he organized and commanded as captain a company to serve against the French and Indians. He attained the rank of colonel, and in 1775, at the age of 80, commanded the 3d regiment of militia of Middlesex and Worcester counties. He probably did not serve in the Revolutionary War on account of his great age. He d. July 10, 1781. He had numerous children (see Hudson), among them (4) Rev. Abraham Williams, minister of Sandwich, Mass., b. Feb. 25, 1727.

4. Rev. Abraham Williams was Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. He strongly favored the Revolution. Two of his sons died in British prison ships. His slaves Titus Winchester and Phebe were bought in Frammingham, and the bills of sale are still preserved by the editor. Titus refused manumission and stayed with his master until the latter died. A poem read at the Quarter-Millennial celebration of Sandwich and Bourne in 1889, mentions Titus as keeping order among the boys in Rev. Abraham Williams's church. Freed by the will of his master, Titus served in various capacities on sailing vessels and accumulated some property. At his death he left a bequest for a clock to be placed on the church. This clock has recently been

replaced by a new one, but is still preserved in the vestry of the church (1902).

Sources: Hudson, Charles: History of Marlborough; &c.

CRANE FAMILY.

The first immigrant was Henry Crane of Dorchester, England. This was before the town of Canton had a separate existence and while it was still a part of Dorchester. The direct line, until joining the Fuller family, was as follows:—1. Henry had son (2) William, who m. Abigail Puffer. William had son (3) Henry.

3. Henry Crane, who lived at Packeen in Canton, was the son of William and Abigail (Puffer) Crane; he was b. May 6, 1719, and m. Abigail Lyon, Nov. 29, 1744. He was a warden of the English Church and its constant friend and supporter. He d. Jan. 4, 1804. Henry Crane had son Major (4) Peter Crane, b. 1752. The latter was a gunsmith, and prover of arms for the county of Norfolk in 1813. He m. Abigail —, and had dau. Margaret, b. Feb. 15, 1789, who m. Hon. Timothy Fuller of Cambridge, May 28, 1809.

Peter Crane served in the Revolution, was major and adjutant in the 24th regiment of Massachusetts line commanded by Col. John Groaton. He d. Dec. 6, 1821.

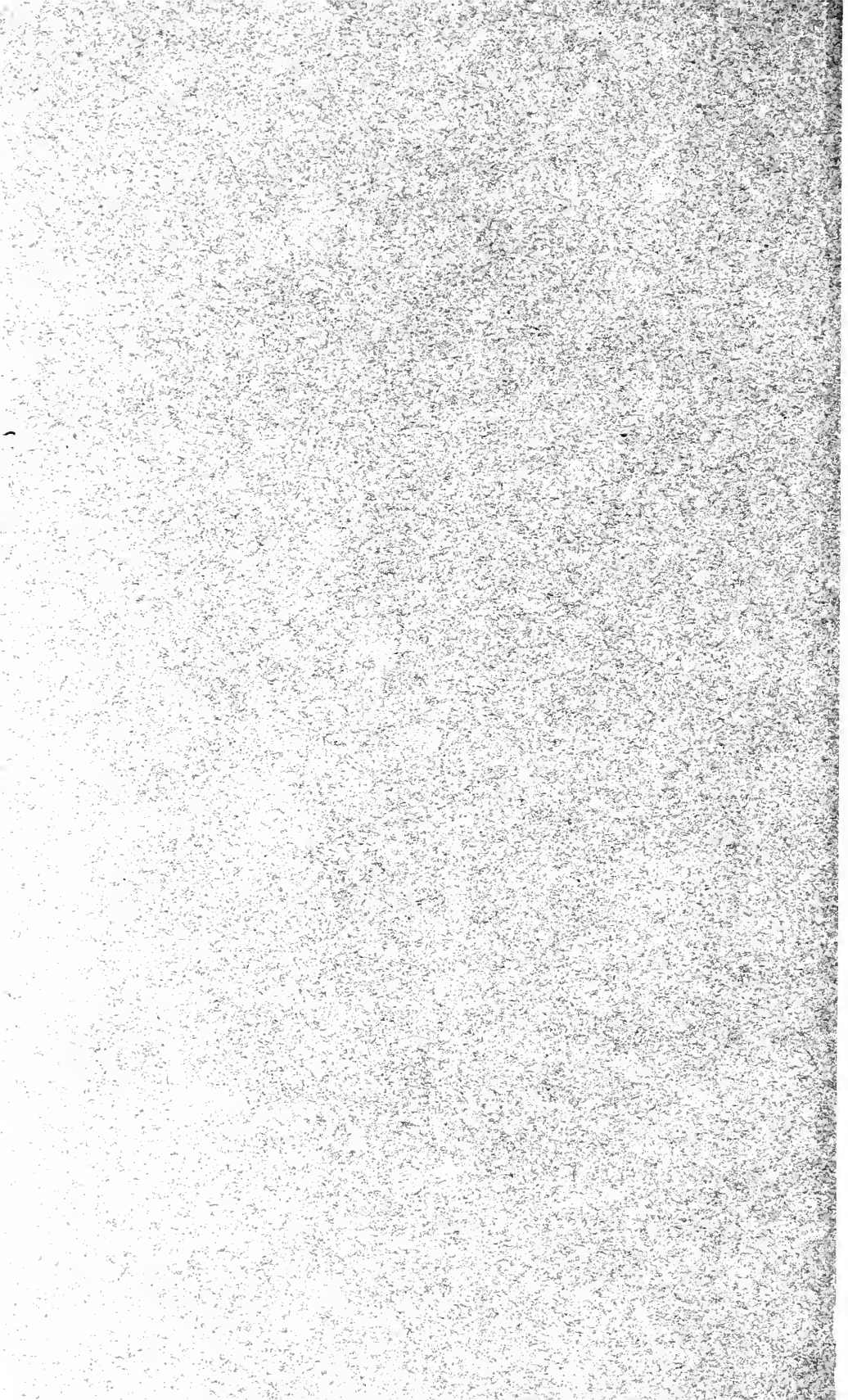
On the triangular piece of land situated in South Canton, bounded by Neponset, Church, and Washington Streets, stood, in 1786, the house of Peter Crane. Between 1834 and 1837 this house was removed to the Revere Copper Yard, Canton Dale, and became the homestead of the Revere family.

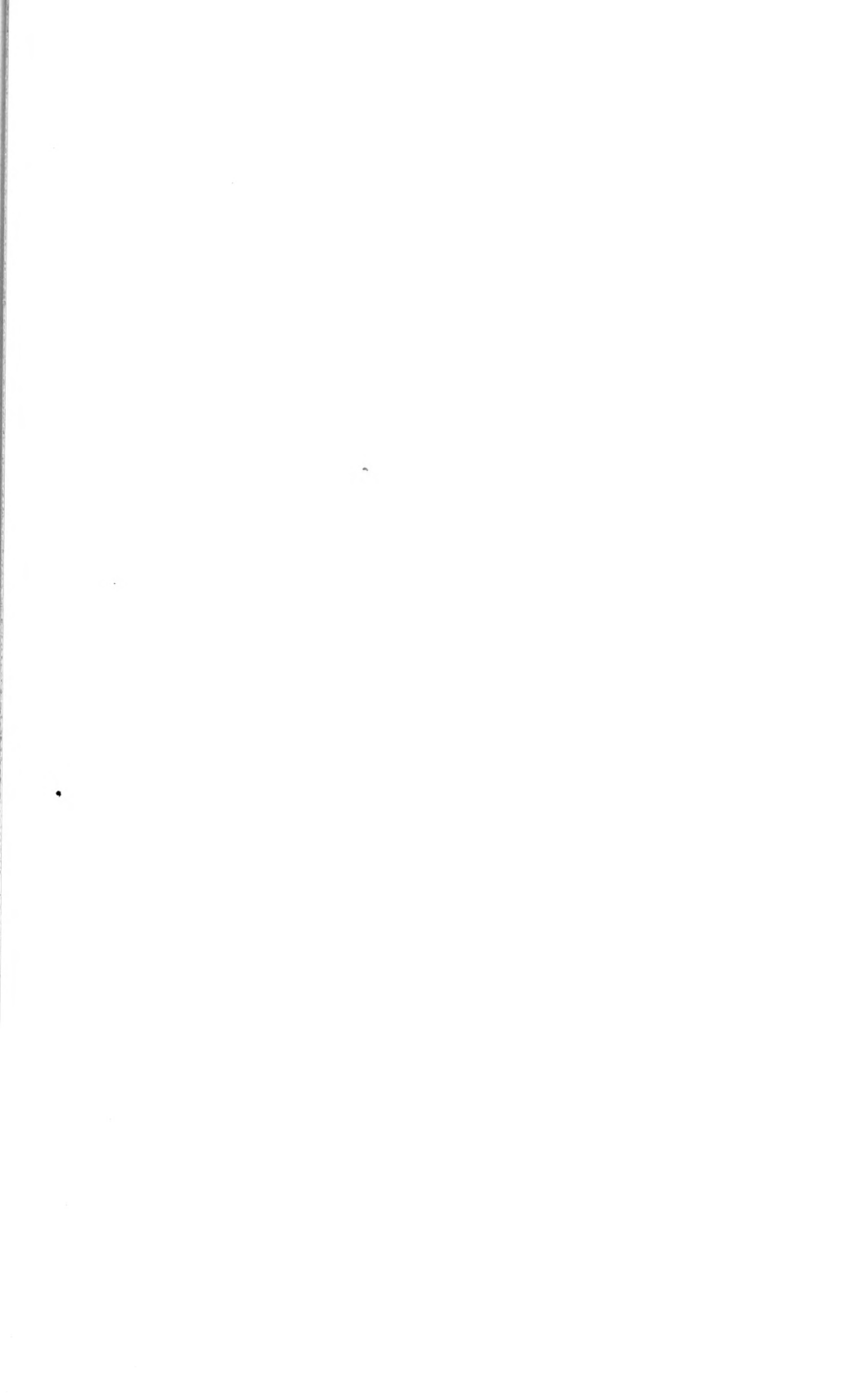
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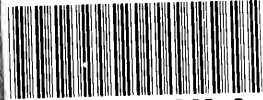
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